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REGULAR SESSION AGENDA

TUESDAY, MARCH 9, 2021

THIS MEETING WILL BE A VIRTUAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING

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COUNCIL PRESIDENT BRENDA JONES WILL PRESENT A TESTIMONIAL RESOLUTION CELEBRATING 100 YEARS OF HOT SAM'S CLOTHING STORE.

APPROVAL OF JOURNAL OF LAST SESSION

RECONSIDERATIONS:

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

PRESIDENT'S REPORT ON STANDING COMMITTEE REFERRALS AND OTHER MATTERS

BUDGET, FINANCE AND AUDIT STANDING COMMITTEE
THE FOLLOWING ITEM(S) ARE TO BE REFERRED TO THE BUDGET, FINANCE AND AUDIT STANDING COMMITTEE:

MISCELLANEOUS

1. **Council Member Scott Benson** submitting memorandum relative to FY 2022-2026 Capital Improvement Projects.
2. **Council President Brenda Jones** submitting memorandum relative to Budget Requests.

INTERNAL OPERATIONS STANDING COMMITTEE

***THE FOLLOWING ITEM(S) ARE TO BE REFERRED TO THE
INTERNAL OPERATIONS STANDING COMMITTEE:***

LAW DEPARTMENT

3. Submitting reso. autho. **Legal Representation and Indemnification** in lawsuit of Joseph Nelson v Christa Towns and City of Detroit; Civil Action Case No. 20-007225-NI for P.O. Christa Towns.

MISCELLANEOUS

4. **Council Member Roy McCalister, Jr.** submitting memorandum relative to questions regarding lawsuits involving DDOT Accidents.

NEIGHBORHOOD AND COMMUNITY SERVICES STANDING COMMITTEE

***THE FOLLOWING ITEM(S) ARE TO BE REFERRED TO THE
NEIGHBORHOOD AND COMMUNITY SERVICES STANDING
COMMITTEE:***

MISCELLANEOUS

5. **Council Member Scott Benson** submitting memorandum relative to Request for LPD to draft a report on the history and relationship between the City of Detroit and the DPL.

PLANNING AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT STANDING COMMITTEE

***THE FOLLOWING ITEM(S) ARE TO BE REFERRED TO THE
PLANNING AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT STANDING
COMMITTEE:***

MISCELLANEOUS

6. **Council Member Scott Benson** submitting memorandum relative to Streetscape Investment.

VOTING ACTION MATTERS

OTHER MATTERS

**COMMUNICATIONS FROM MAYOR AND OTHER
GOVERNMENTAL OFFICIALS AND AGENCIES**

PUBLIC COMMENT

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

BUDGET, FINANCE AND AUDIT STANDING COMMITTEE

OFFICE OF CONTRACTING AND PROCUREMENT

7. **Ayers**, reso. autho. **Contract No. 6003358** - 100% City Funding – To Provide City Wide Car Wash Services. – Contractor: Turbo Auto Wash – Location: 4119 E Davison, Detroit, MI 48212 – Contract Period: Upon City Council Approval through February 28, 2023 – Total Contract Amount: \$111,000.00.
CITYWIDE

INTERNAL OPERATIONS STANDING COMMITTEE

LAW DEPARTMENT

8. **McCalister**, reso. autho. **Legal Representation and Indemnification** in lawsuit of Donovan Jones v. Officer Gentry Shelby and Officer Marcus Ways; Civil Action Case No. 20-11435 for Sgt. Marcus Ways.
9. **McCalister**, reso. autho. **Legal Representation and Indemnification** in lawsuit of Donovan Jones v Shelby Gentry and Marcus Ways; Civil Action Case No. 20-11435 for Det. Shelby Gentry.
10. **McCalister**, reso. autho. **Settlement** in lawsuit of Central Home Health Care Services v City of Detroit; Case No. 19-180800, File No. L19-00955 (MA) A20000, in the amount of **\$3,200.00** in full payment for any and all claims which Central Home Health Care Services may have against the City of Detroit and any other City of Detroit employees by reason of alleged injuries sustained.
11. **McCalister**, reso. autho. **Settlement** in lawsuit of Prime Rehabilitation (Jesse Walton) v City of Detroit; Case No.20-156836-GC, File No. L20-00580, (CLR) A20000, in the amount of **\$15,000.00** in full payment for any and all claims which **Prime Rehabilitation Services, Inc.** may have against the City of Detroit and any other City of Detroit employees by reason of alleged injuries sustained.
12. **McCalister**, reso. autho. **Settlement** in lawsuit of Verdis Rafael Gatewood v City of Detroit-Department of Transportation; Case No 19-003876-NI, File No. L19-00202 (TO) A20000 in the amount of **\$31,000.00** in full payment for any and all claims which Verdis R. Gatewood may have against the City of Detroit and any other City of Detroit employees by reason of alleged injuries sustained.
13. **McCalister**, reso. autho. **Acceptance of Case Evaluation Award** in lawsuit of Darnell Tate v City of Detroit, et al.; Case No. 19-014973, File No. L19-00856 (YRB) A24000, On February 18, 2021, a case evaluation panel evaluated the above-captioned lawsuit and awarded a total of **\$87,250.00** in favor of the plaintiff. The parties have until March 18, 2021, to either accept or reject the case evaluation.
14. **McCalister**, reso. autho. **Acceptance of Case Evaluation Award** in lawsuit of C-Spine Orthopedics PLLC v City of Detroit; Case No. 19-015881-NI, File No.

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L19-00898 (CLR) A20000, On February 17, 2020 a case evaluation panel evaluated the above-captioned lawsuit and awarded **\$90,000.00** in favor of the plaintiff. The parties have until March 17, 2020, to either accept or reject the case evaluation. Failure to file a written acceptance or rejection within this period constitutes a rejection.

15. **McCalister**, reso. autho. **Order of Dismissal to Enter into Agreement** in lawsuit of Chiquita Ellis v City Of Detroit; Case No. 17-015503-NO, File No. L17-00754 (SVD) A19000, Upon certification by the Law Department that the arbitrators have announced a decision requiring the City to pay part or all **\$75,000.00** to the Plaintiff, in favor of Chiquita Tamika Ellis and her attorney, Drew Slager, in the amount of the arbitrators' award, but said draft may not be less than Zero Dollars \$0.00 and shall not exceed \$75,000.00.
16. **McCalister**, reso. autho. **Legal Representation and Indemnification** in lawsuit of Kavona Jordan & Antoine Jones v Allen Williams; Civil Action Case No. 20-002239-NI for Cpl. Allen Williams.
17. **McCalister**, reso. autho. **Legal Representation and Indemnification** in lawsuit of Darnell Tate v City of Detroit et al.; Civil Action Case No. 19-014973-NI for EMT Chase Skorczewski.
18. **McCalister**, reso. autho. **Legal Representation and Indemnification** in lawsuit of Deborah Sherrod-Lugo v Family Dollar Store Inc et al.; Civil Action Case No. 20-005497-NO for Sgt. Daniel Austin.
19. **McCalister**, reso. autho. **Legal Representation and Indemnification** in lawsuit of Deborah Sherrod-Lugo v Family Dollar Store et al; Civil Action Case No. 20-005497-NO for Sgt. Monica Verdusco.

RESOLUTIONS

20. **McCalister**, reso. autho. Appointment of Gwen Lewis to the City Planning Commission for a term ending February 14, 2024.

NEIGHBORHOOD AND COMMUNITY SERVICES STANDING COMMITTEE

OFFICE OF CONTRACTING AND PROCUREMENT

21. **Sheffield**, *amended* reso. autho. **Contract No. 6002397** - 100% City Funding – **AMEND 1 – To Provide an Increase of Funds Only to Raise Awareness of the City's Legal Disposal Sites and Vaccination Local Media Campaign Advertisement for the General Services Department and Health Department.** – Contractor: Emerald Media – Location: 440 Burroughs Suite 134, Detroit, MI 48202 – Contract Period: December 1, 2019 through June 30, 2022 – Contract Increase Amount: \$746,000.00 – Total Contract Amount: \$1,346,000.00. **GENERAL SERVICES (PULLED FROM THE FORMAL**

SESSION AGENDA ON 3-2-21 AND POSTPONED AS DIRECTED UNTIL 3-9-21)

22. **Sheffield**, reso. autho. **Contract No. 6003367** - 100% City Funding – To Provide Annual Plant Bulbs and Plants with Specific Colors, Varieties and Bloom Times to be Grown in Belle Isle Greenhouses and Planted in Parks and Medians to Beautify the City. – Contractor: Germania Seed Company – Location: 5978 N. Northwest Highway, Chicago, IL 60631 – Contract Period: Upon City Council Approval through March 1, 2023 – Total Contract Amount: \$185,553.01. **GENERAL SERVICES**
23. **Sheffield**, reso. autho. **Contract No. 6003352** - 100% 2018 UTGO Bond Funding – To Provide Site Clearing for the Joe Louis Greenway. – Contractor: Detroit Grounds Crew, LLC – Location: 4101 Barham, Detroit, MI 48224 – Contract Period: Upon City Council Approval through February 28, 2022 – Total Contract Amount: \$579,664.15. **GENERAL SERVICES**

OFFICE OF THE CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER/OFFICE OF DEVELOPMENT AND GRANTS

24. **Sheffield**, reso. autho. grant application to the Michigan Department of Natural Resources for the FY 2021 Trust Fund Grant for Romanowski Park. **(The General Services Department is hereby requesting authorization from Detroit City Council to submit a grant application to the Michigan Department of Natural Resources for the FY 2021 Trust Fund Grant for Romanowski Park. The amount being sought is \$300,000.00. The State share is 60 percent or \$300,000.00 of the requested amount and there is a required cash match of 40 percent or \$200,000.00. The total project cost is \$500,000.00.)**

PLANNING AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT STANDING COMMITTEE

RESOLUTIONS

25. **Tate**, reso. autho. The Brownfield Plan of the City of Detroit Brownfield Redevelopment Authority for the Grobbel Cold Storage Facility Redevelopment. **(E.W. Grobbel Sons, Inc. is the project developer (the “Developer”) for the Plan. The project entails the construction of a new cold storage facility on the Property (defined below). Construction is planned in two phases: an approximately 87,000sq. ft. Phase I on the southern portion of the Property, and an approximately 53,000 sq. ft. Phase II expansion on the northern portion of the property for a total of approximately 140,000 sq. ft. The storage facility will include a cooler, freezer, shipping and receiving, and office areas. The project will also include storm water detention ponds designed to meet current city requirements. A bioswale and greenway are planned for the eastern side of the Property. Permeable paving is planned in the alley the runs north-south, adjacent to the planned**

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bioswales / greenway. The total investment is estimated to be \$ 33 million total for both phases. The developer is requesting \$7,563,054.00 in TIF reimbursement. There will be approximately 200 temporary construction jobs and a total of 300 FTE jobs created (150 FTE for Phase I and 150 FTE for Phase II). (PULLED FROM THE FORMAL SESSION AGENDA ON 3-2-21 AND POSTPONED AS DIRECTED UNTIL 3-9-21)

PUBLIC HEALTH AND SAFETY STANDING COMMITTEE

OFFICE OF CONTRACTING AND PROCUREMENT

26. **Benson**, reso. autho. **Contract No. 2916016** - 100% City Funding – AMEND 1 – To Provide ADA (Americans with Disability Act) Complementary Paratransit Services. – Contractor: Transdev Services, Inc. - Location: 720 E Butterfield Suite 300, Lombard, IL 60148 – Contract Period: March 1, 2021 through February 28, 2022 – Contract Increase Amount: \$12,600,000.00. – **TRANSPORTATION** (*Original Contract Period: March 1, 2016 through February 28, 2021.*)

NEW BUSINESS

CONSENT AGENDA

MEMBER REPORTS

ADOPTION WITHOUT COMMITTEE REFERENCE

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE CLERK

27. Report on approval of proceedings by the Mayor.

TESTIMONIAL RESOLUTIONS AND SPECIAL PRIVILEGE